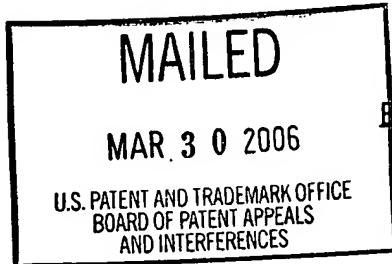


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Ex parte ANDREW JAY SKOOG,  
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Application No. 10/726,357

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on March 15, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below.

The translation of the following prior art reference cited on page 3 of the January 11, 2006 Examiner's Answer was not located in the Image File Wrapper (IFW):  
Akechi Houshiyun (JP 60081892 A).

A certified translation is needed to process this appeal.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to supply a copy of the translation of the listed prior art and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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